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A Note From Pastor Andrew

On my mind this week, forgiveness. Often I reflect and am reminded that as Jesus hung from the cross, he asked for the forgiveness for those that put him there, physically. Jesus prays and seeks God's forgiveness for those that kill him. What a powerful testament of faith to pray for those that kill you. How did he, could he, do such a thing when I struggle to forgive someone that cuts me off on the street or for those that have wronged me in the past. Often I wonder why forgiveness is so hard.

What do you hold onto that is requiring forgiveness?

Whom do you need forgiveness from?

A few questions to ponder as we enter the holiest of weeks.

Blessings,
Pastor Andrew

Worship and Christian Education Opportunities

Ecumenical Lenten Program

We will be viewing portions of "The Bible: The Epic Miniseries"

5:30 pm-Soup and bread supper

6:00 pm-Begin viewing movie segment

March 25

Grace Episcopal

River of Hope Worship

The next River of Hope will be Thursday, March 26, 2015;

we have a free meal at 5:45 p.m. with Worship following at 6:30 p.m.

We Worship in the Form of Taizé' - come and check it out!

No River of Hope on Maundy Thursday, April 2. We will worship at First Presbyterian Church at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Worship Time

CTK worship time is 9:00 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Fellowship time before worship at 8:15 am and following until 10:45am.

Prayer Time

Every Sunday during communion, Judy Weaver will be available for an optional time of prayer and healing in the back of the sanctuary.

Sunday School

Please sign up to teach our awesome kids!! We will have Sunday school during the first part of the worship service. During offering the kids will come into worship for the Children's message and stay for the remainder of the worship or go back into the nursery. We will still have a nursery attendant during worship. Sunday school is for all kids up to 6th grade.

Bible Study

Please join us every Sunday for "Gospel of John" Pastor Andrew leads this bible study every Sunday between services. We will meet at 10:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Grab a cup of coffee and join us!

Lutheran 101

We will resume class on April 13.

Announcements

Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday April 5th, Christ the King Lutheran Church will be having Easter Breakfast at 8:00am. Worship service at 9:00am. All children will receive a free Easter Basket, and one lucky family will be given a \$50 gift card to Applebee's. Come Join in the Celebration of Easter meet some new people and make new friends. 148 Maple Grove Rd. 810-664-5584 www.christthekinglapeer.org

Thrivent

The Lapeer County Board of Directors has decided to organize a team for Relay for Life. We are asking all Lutheran Congregations in the area to participate. It is June 13 and 14 at the Eastern Michigan Fair Grounds in Imlay City. This money goes to the American Cancer Society. If you would like to honor someone who has passed from cancer or to celebrate a cancer survivor, please consider donating to the cause as a memorial to them. You are also encouraged to participate in the walk, even if you can only give us an hour or two. Watch for the sign-up sheet.

Thrivent will be randomly handing out carnations to mothers on the Saturday before Mother's Day. If you would like to give us an hour of your time to participate in this 'random act of kindness' let me know. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

All requests for funding for any project must be in submitted, approved and completed prior to June 1st. If you have a project or activity after that time please consider applying for Action Team funding.

Any questions please contact Marsha Schultz at 586-481-9596

Easter Bags for Kids

This year we will be giving out Easter bags to all the kids. If you would like to make a special offering to help offset the costs it would be greatly appreciated.

Wojo Garden Center Shopping Days

It's time to start thinking about gardening and flowers. Once again we will be doing the Wojo's fundraiser. You shop at any Wojo's on two specific days and Wojo's will donate 10% of all purchases for those two days. All you have to do is tell them you are shopping for "Christ the King Lapeer" when you check out. It is so easy!!!

Our shopping days are Thursday, May 21 and Saturday, June 6.
Wojo's has 3 locations-Davison, Ortonville and Lake Orion. Any questions please see Sue Halamka.

Electronic Giving

Christ the King is pleased to continue an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

An authorization form and a "Frequently Asked Questions" flyer are available from the church office.

CTK Food Pantry

Thank you for the donations we have received. We are still accepting food donations for the CTK pantry; we are helping more families than ever. Please bring in non-perishable items such as, cereal, oatmeal, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, tuna fish, spaghetti o's, canned ravioli, soups, etc... Thank you. Most of the families we serve have young children. We serve, on average 2-3 families per week.

Foodbank of Eastern Michigan

March to End Hunger, March 1-April 30, 2015. Please join in the March to End Hunger. For every dollar donated to CTK for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan (FBEM), they will credit our account an additional 10%. The FBEM helps supply food for our food pantry at CTK. Questions please see Terri Forthoffer.

Holy SCRIP-tures

SCRIP cards are still available to purchase!
Please see Karin Anderson for more information.

Easter Breakfast

Please join us for Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 5. Please sign up to bring a dish to pass. We will have Easter bags for all the kids!!

Church Council

The next Church Council meeting is Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. We meet the third Sunday of every month. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Fellowship Opportunities

110 Stories presented by Goodrich High School Theater. A play memorializing 9/11 by sharing the stories no one saw on the news. Tickets \$8

March 26-28 7:00 p.m.

March 29 2:30 p.m.

Legally Blonde: The Musical presented by Lapeer High School. Tickets \$10
April 16-18 7:00 p.m.

CTK Teams

All our Team meetings are open to everyone. Please stop in and see what we are doing.

Marketing and Publicity Team

Next meeting is April 2 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the first Thursday of every month.

Fellowship Team

Next meeting is on April 12 at 8:30 a.m. We meet the second Sunday of every month

Outreach Team

Next meeting is April 9 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the second Thursday of every month.

Worship Team

The next Worship team meeting is on March 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month.

CTK Small Groups

Bible Study

Nora Murray will be opening her home for a Women's Bible Study at 1:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 15. If you are interested please call Nora at 810-356-5049.

Sowing Threads of Fellowship

Sowing Threads of Fellowship meets the first Tuesday of each month in people's homes. The next meeting time is Tuesday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Nora Murray.

Women's Group

Women's group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at CTK. We share a meal together, share stories and laughter. Come and join us!
The next meeting is April 14. Theme: Eggs!!

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, March 25

5:30 pm Soup supper at Grace Episcopal
6:00 pm Begin watching movie "The Bible" at Grace Episcopal

Thursday, March 26

5:00 pm Worship Team meeting
5:45 pm Free Meal
6:30 pm Worship

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday-March 29

9:00 am Worship and Sunday school
10:15 am Bible Study

Maundy Thursday-April 2

6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian

No River of Hope
7:30 pm Marketing and Publicity Team meeting

Good Friday-April 3

6:30 p.m. at Christ the King

Easter Sunday-April 5

8:00 am Easter Breakfast

9:00 am Worship

Tuesday, April 7

7:00 pm Sewing Threads of Fellowship*

Thursday, April 9

5:45 pm Free Meal

6:30 pm Worship

7:15 pm Outreach Team meeting

Sunday, April 12

8:15 am Fellowship

8:30 am Fellowship Team meeting

9:00 am Worship

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Fellowship

10:15 am Bible Study

Remembering in Prayers

For Extra Healing:

Dean

John Kovalick (health, father of John Kovalick)

Scott Finchem (son of Dean and Pat Finchem)

Deb Howes (continued good health sister of Sue Halamka)

Gerald & Alvera Houck (health, parents of Paula Kovalick)

Katelyn Gilliam (health, granddaughter of Doug & Linda Gilliam)

Karen Scurich (cancer, cousin of Jeff Anderson)

Judy Dyer (cancer, aunt of Steve Mitchell)

Brenda June (cancer, co-worker of Robin Mitchell)

John Soloy (health, family of Connie Peterman)

Brett Carr and family (friends of Terri Frankenstein)

John Schietecatte (health, brother-in-law of Dean and Pat Finchem)

Hope Venema (health, mother of Chris Venema)

Karin Anderson (health)

Marcy Howell (health)

Tim Komisak (health, brother of John Komisak)

Janet Kropp (health)

Barbara Osoba (health, friend of Paula Carpenter)

Lisa Ann Wright (cancer, friend of Kelly Greenwald)

Harold Elliott (health, father of Cathy Davis)

Lowery family (family of Cindy Goerke)

Denise Kovacs (health, friend of Karin Anderson)

Marilyn Mitchell (health, mother of Steve Mitchell)

Ken Nelson (health)

Judy Lara (step-mom of Gloria Lara)
Michael Hartman (health, son-in-law of Bill and Dawn Larsen)
Mike and Linda Hash (health)
Charlie Sanchez (health, father of Terri Forthoffer)
Tracey Anderson (healing, sister of Jeff and Karin Anderson)
Bob Bradford (health, friend of Gail Carlson)
Marty and Sharon Stefani (health)
Bob Ray (health, friend of Karin Anderson)
Peggy Krummel (cancer, friend of Gail Carlson)
Sarah (niece of Pastor Andrew and Katie Gookin)
Riley Mickle (health)
Gail Carlson (health)
Barb Gottschalk (health, friend of the Halamka family)
Riley Wiegersma (grandson of Ken and Terri Frankenstein)
David (nephew of Dean and Pat Finchem)
Linda Lawson (cancer, friend of Jeff Anderson)
Wendolyn Trozzo (health, friend of the Gookin family)
Dana Wilcox (cancer, friend of Sandi Ryan)
Ed and Mandy Brown (health, friend of the Halamka family)
Christine Johnson
Nora Murray (recovering from shoulder surgery)
Barbara Christie (health, mother of Kelly Greenwald)
Josh Todd (health)
Judy Weaver (health)
Ruth Fullmer (health)
Lynda Davis (cancer and in hospice, mother-in-law of Cathy Davis)
Sarge Knight (cancer, biological father of Katie Gookin)
Gary Herfert (recovering from surgery)
Linda Sagady (recovering from surgery, sister of Sandi Ryan)
Kathy Green (cancer, friend of Kaitlynn Tuckey)
Mary Crispin (health, mother of Katie Gookin)
Beverly Huffman (health, friend of Steve Halamka)
Blair Umphrey (hospitalized, health, son of Sandi Ryan)
Dennis Green (health, friend of Gail Carlson)
Cindy Goerke (recovering from surgery)
All those without jobs and seeking employment
Those Left Unnamed

Celebration of Life:

Family and friends of Ed Howell

Military Personnel:

Logan Sitze
Mark Stefani
Jeff Wesley
Adam Stern
Benjamin J. Smith
Michelle Sitze
Blake Mason
Megan Belprez
Mark Gottschalk
Kenny Friedle
Ryan Moss

Jacob Labert
Hunter Snow
Caleb Taylor
Nick Strong
Josh Johnson

Partners in Ministry:

Beautiful Savior, Bloomfield Hills
Calvary, Clarkston
First English, Grosse Pointe Woods
Holy Spirit, Grand Blanc
Zion, Ann Arbor
Abiding Presence, Rochester Hills